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**Re: Camino Cumbre, (Group of Seven Lots) Block 603, Lots 3 & 4 combined, 11, 12, 15 and 62; and Block 605, Lots 105 and 106
Santa Cruz County
Water Adequacy Report # 22-400950**

Dear Mr. Lucas:

As expressed in "Order and Findings Granting Exception" of September 25, 1981, the Departments of Water Resources and Real Estate granted the above referenced group of lots an exemption, pursuant to H. B. 2465, Laws 1981, from the assured water supply requirements contained in A.R. S. §45-576. Under this exemption the lots may proceed under the provisions of A.R.S. §45-108 as if the lots were located outside the active management area.

Pursuant to A.R.S. §45-108, the Department of Water Resources has reviewed the available information pertaining to the water supply for the above captioned lots located in Sections 3 and 4, T23S, R14E, Santa Cruz County, Arizona.

The water supply plans call for water for domestic use to be provided to each of the 7 lots by Rio Rico Utilities from wells within its franchised area.

Adequacy of the water supply was reviewed by the Department with regard to quality, quantity and dependability. The owner of the lots has chosen not to provide information to the Department regarding the long-term dependability of the water supply. Lack of such information does not allow comparison to the Department's 100-year supply criteria. Therefore, the Department of Water Resources must find the water supply to be inadequate to meet the projected needs of the lots.

A.R.S. §32-2181.F. requires a summary of the Department's report for dry lot subdivisions or those with an inadequate water supply be included in all promotional material and contracts for sale of lots. We suggest the following synopsis:

"Camino Cumbre is a group of lots (Block 603, Lots 3 & 4 combined, 11, 12, 15 and 62; Block 605, Lots 105 and 106.) The lots are within a residential subdivision and are being sold with the domestic water supply to be provided by Rio Rico Utilities. The owner of the lots has chosen not to provide information regarding the long-term dependability of the water supply. Lack of such information does not allow comparison to the Department's 100-year supply criteria. Therefore, the Department of Water Resources must find the water supply to be inadequate to meet the projected needs of the lots."

The lot owner, pursuant to A.R.S. §32-2181.F., may suggest a different summary of this report, but it must contain the above elements and/or the Department's findings. Any change to the lots or the water supply may invalidate this decision.

This letter, which constitutes the Department's report on the lots water supply, is being forwarded to your office as required by A.R.S. §45-108. This law requires the lot owner to hold the recordation of the plat until receipt of the Department's report on the water supply. By copy of this report, the Santa Cruz County Recorder is being officially notified of the lot owner's compliance with the law.

This is an appealable agency action. The applicant is entitled to appeal this action. Rights to appeal are described in the enclosed Notice of Right to Appeal.

If you have any questions, please contact Dan Holden at (602) 417-2400, ext. 7317.

Sincerely,



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cc: Richard and Laura Narkaus
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